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When Governor Murray propounded certain pertinent questions to the Legislature, he, so to speak, put the Legislature, he, so to speak, put the Legislature in a box. The second and third questions propounded by the Governor define the issue in Utah. It would be a hold man, even in Utah, who would say that the laws of Congress are not paramount to all other laws in a Territory of the United States, and only bigoted hardihood holds to the theory that it is not the duty of Territorial, county and precinct officers to aid in actively upholding the laws of Congress. It is true when the Governor says:

held from them.

The chief source of our trouble in Utah is the persistent refusal of the Legislature of Utah to legislature of Utah to legislate upon the leading local question. That question is the suppression of polygamy and unlawful cohabitation. These practices are contrary to the fundamental idea of the family as established and recognised in every State and Territory in the Union and in every civilized country. These pracand in every civilized country. These prac-tices were just as criminal under the laws of the Colonies as they are to-day, but they were of such rare occurren they were of such rare occurrence as nover to direct particular attention to them. In no country of Christendom have they ever been incorporated in a religious or political system as being fundamental, except in Utah. To suppress them here is the issue, and the questions above referred to make it impossible for the Logislature to ignore the issue without bringing upon themselves the reproach of actily sanctioning have they ever been incorporated in a religious or political system as being fundamental, except in Utah. To suppress them here is the issue, and the questions above referred to make it impossible for the Logislature to ignore the issue without bringing upon themselves the reproach of tacitly sanctioning lawlessness. That Congress has legislated upon this issue is true, but primarily it is was and is the duty of the Territorial Logislature to legislate on Territorial Lugislature to legislate on Territorial Lugislature to legislature of Utah has done as much as the Republican party to centralize government in the United States. That is a strong and broad statement, but we believe that any one who will take the time and trouble to reflect upon the course of legislation in Utah will come to the same conclusion. How has this been done, is it asked? By the Territorial Logislature absolutely refusing to legislate one way or the other on the Utah question, neither declaring the polygamous system of the Territory legal or lllegal, thereby forcing Congress to take cognisance and control of the mater. The people of Utah, through their Logislature in the people of Utah, through their Logislature government, but the people of Utah, through their Logislature government in Utah Territory is the most centralized government of any State or down the religious. Such as force and are controlled to the religious of logislate for them. Local self-government in Utah Territory is the most centralized government of any State or Utah will come to the same conclusion. How has this been done, is it asked? By the Territorial Legislature absolutely refusing to legislate one way or the other on the Utah question, neither declaring the polygamous system of the Territory legal or illegal, thereby forcing Congress to take cognisance and control of the matter. The people of Utah are continually talking about the rights of the people of the Territories, chief among which is the right of local self-government, but the people of Utah, through their Legislature ignoring the local issue, force Congress to legislate for them. Local self-government in Utah Territory is the most centralized government of any State or stralized government of any State or the United States. The Legislature of Utah by their re-fusal to aid the Government in final to aid the Government in the solution of the Utah problem each day invite the establishment of a Legislative Commission in Utah. It is well that the people know these things, for in the day when a Legislative Commission is established they will have themselves to thank for it. The Legislature now in session is the last Legislature that Utah is apt to have for many years if this Legislature refuse to meet the issue which is now upon them.

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In that very queer document, the Au-ditor's report, there appears a very curi-ous item. It reads thus: "Ell H. Mer-ray, Governor, for services of messen-ger, etc., for the Executive office for the years 1884-5, \$2,000." The Legislature years 1884-5, \$2,000." The Legislature of Utah Territory had no business to appropriate the Territorial funds for any such purpose, and Governor Murray had no business to accept any such money. Why the appropriation was made is not a difficult matter to guess—it was a sop thrown to the Governor for the purpose of inducing him to approve other matters. of Utab Territory had no business to spropriate the Territorial funds for any such purpose, and Governor Murray had no business to accept any such money. Why the appropriation was made is not a difficult matter to guess—it was a sop thrown to the Governor for the purpose of inducing him to approve other matters in the appropriation bill. That bill contained no more improper item than the one appropriating \$2,000 "for services of messenger, etc., for the Executive office for the years 1884-5," and if Governor Murray did not know this he should have known it. He must also have known that the Utah Legislature, which passed Morray did not know this he should have known it. He must also have known it. He must also have known and the must have known it. He must also have known that the Utah Legislature, which passed the bill containing this item, had no love whatever for him, and regarded him as an obstacle to the accomplishment of their ends, yet Governor Murray approved the act of the Legislature giving him a grainity of \$2,000, but refused to go on with the rest of their scheme. Governor's message says:

He wants the exercise of political power morth that the Legislature makes no improper appropriations of the common finds of the Territory. Does any Federal official thick it proper for the Territory to give him largesses and grainities? If such there be they are highly improper officials. If it is proper for the Territory to appropriate \$2,000, for message gare for the "Exercitory to do the same thing. The Government pays its servants what it thinks is a just compensation, and if the same number of words. "No sectles that the case of T. T. Seals, of Bellater, the thinks is a just compensation, and if the same number of words. "No sectles as a part of the derivative office," it is just as proper for the Territory to appropriate \$2,000, for messagengers for the "Exercitory of the Someth and the poople, and as much charging for the Government pays its servants what it thinks is a just compensation, and if the same number of words. "No sectles as in particular and the proper for the Territory to give him largesses and grainities? If the same number of words. "No sectles is a part of his day to see that the Legislature makes no immediate the proper for the Territory to see that the Legislature makes no immediate the proper for the Territory to see that the Legislature makes no immediate the proper for the Territory to the form the proper for the City to do the same thing. The compensation of the city to do the same thing. The Government pays its servants what it thinks is a just compensation, and if the proper for the City to do the s

those who become Government servants to not so think they should refuse to serve the Government, or clase their self-respect and sense of propriety should make them refuse additional compensation in the form any source. The Governor of Utah Territory, above all others, should rehise to accept such additional compensation, both on account of his position and the peculiar circumstances surrounding Federal officials in this Territory owing to the local question. The Legislature of Utah Territory don't care whether the Federal officials here receive a single cent for his posterior their pessons and the language of Justice Storey: officials here receive a single cent for their services, and when appropriations are made "for services of m are made "forservices of messenger, etc., for the Executive office," it is not because they have any solicitude on account of the Executive office. Governor Murray was guilty of a grave indiscretion in per-mitting the Legislature to appropriate \$2,000 "for services of messenger, etc., for the Executive office for the years 1884-5." 1884-5."

MODERN FREEDOM OF WORSHIP.

The debate in the Senate on the Edmunds bill, a full report of which appears in the Congressional Record of January 8, is very interesting. As one reals it over and recalls the history of the Christian religion, the conclusion cannot be escaped that there is more bigotry and intolerance in the world to-day than the nine-teenth century is wont to admit. Among Christian denominations the Mormon church enjoys the unique distinction of being insted by both Catholies and Protestants. Religionists of different denominations are disinclined to admit that Mormonism is a religion in any sense of the word. This is no doubt the case with all except the Mormons, but to them their religion is as much a religion as Catholicism is to the Catholic, Methodism to the Methodist. Whatever a man thinks is religion is to that man religion. It is impossible to have a test as to religion according to its tenets and beliefs, but these rules merely determine what is and what is not religion for a particular sect. Even to-day Catholies speak of the Reformation as an anostacy, and The debate in the Senate on the Eddetermine what is and what is not relig-ion for a particular sect. Even to-day Catholies speak of the Reformation as an apostacy, and Catholie writers in speaking of that movement always make a quotation of the word. To a Protestant that seems most strange. Catholies look upon Protestantism as an emancipation of the flesh. The Catholie church is a great church and the most wonderful and per-church and the most wonderful and per-

that "a Catholic's freedom of conscience is grievously impaired by the civil tolerance of other religions." Such a sentiment is not far romoved from the sixteenth century, and is in full accord with the judgment of Cardinal Benno, who declared that if Charles V. had ordered the death of Luther at the Diet of Worms the whole mischlef of the Reformation would have been prevented. Some of the Protestant religious journals of the East are fully as severe and bigoted in their denunciation of the Catholic church. The fight in New York over the "Freedom of Worship bill" plainly shows the liberality of Protestants towards Catholics.

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wards Catholics.

Such showings as these should make Senators careful in saying what constitutes religion and what does not. When the religion of the Mormons teaches that polygamy is right and its practice proper and justifiable, then that religion, to the extent that it conflicts with the law of the land, should be treated as anything else that is in conflict with the laws of the land and be put down. It makes no

The people may, if they please, submit all power to their rulers for the time being; but then the government should receive its true appellation; and character. It would be a government of ligrants, election, if is true, but still tyrouts.

Those who are familiar with matte and things in Utah will recognize in the above a very good exposition of politi what answer the News will make to this it will say that Justice Story was a Fed

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Tournelles.

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The Peculiar Customs Observed n Pollsh Wedding at Pittsburg.

The Peculiar Customs Observed at a Polish Wedding at Philisburg.

A Polish wedding and honeymoon has just been celebrated on Josephine street. The ecremony, owing to its protrated nature and the wedding costume peculiar to the Polish people, attracted considerable attention in that section of the city. The bride is a pleasant little woman and speaks English fluently, but the groom has not been in the country long enough to have full command of the language. They were married at the Polish church by their priest, Father Myskavi, in the presence of a number of friends. After the formal ecremony the party repaired to the bride's home, where a reception was given which lasted for three days. The wedding toke place in the morning and a fine breakfast was served to the company at 8 o'clock, after which the dancing and merry-making began, and was not allowed to stop or even flag until midnight. The company then dispersed to meet again at noon on the next day, and the same programme was excented from day to day until the marriage feast was ended.

The bride and groom separated each night of the festivities, bidding every one good night, and only after the marriage feast is ended is the happy couple considered married.

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chooses, and each time be asks her to chassist tim in the dance he must give her either a handsome present, or a sum of money. So if the tender bride is good looking, amiable and a good dancer she cannot fail to realize a rich benefit from the feast. The bride received over \$150 in money, and her presents were both substantial and spetty.

The dancing is of a wild, furious nature, in which any one but a therough expert would be fooliarly to engage, for when the orrhestra gets properly wound up and the dancers begin to grate in time to the exciting muse they remind an on-looker of the full leaves which are easiet up and madly toward by an amateor cyclome. One of the Follah gentlemen who participated in the recent festivity was asked if three days was not a pretty long time to continue a wedding.

'Oh, no', he said. ''H you want to see a gentuine wedding, go to Poland, where they last never less than a week or tou days. We workingmen don't get time to bave a good wedding here."

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